

their present visit to Blenheim.

Princess Charles of Denmark performed a similar function on the south side of the garden and planted her tree close to that which her father yesterday identified as his own.

Each member of the royal family was here presented as a souvenir of the occasion with a polished steel spade, with an ash handle. The tools were decorated and embellished with the Marlborough arms and crest.

The ceremony of planting the tree was witnessed by all of the guests now at Blenheim, and possibly the most interested spectator was the young hostess, who witnessed such an event for the first time.

Another Great Rabbit-Hunt.

There was another great rabbit shooting party to-day in the park in close proximity to the monument erected by Sarah, wife of the first Duke of Marlborough, in memory to her husband.

There were ten guns out, and the latest returns show that close upon 3,000 rabbits fell to them. The Duke again refrained from shooting, and superintended the efforts of his keepers and beaters, who drove the game across the beats, along which the guns were stationed.

Luncheon was served in a marquee erected in the dingle, at which the sportsmen were joined by such of the ladies of the party as had remained at Blenheim.

Wales Led the Sportsmen.

To the Prince's gun, perhaps, fell the largest number of rabbits shot by any individual sportsman during the day. His Royal Highness, who wore a dove-colored tweed suit, of knickerbocker type, a small cap, mingled stockings and brown boots, appeared to enjoy the sport immensely.

There is, however, to the onlooker little that is exciting or even exhilarating in rabbit shooting on a scale such as that which took place to-day, and it is probable that, had his Royal Highness not been partic-

The Princess wore a heliotrope costume and a cloth cape of the same color, while the Duchess was in gray and also wore a cape.

In the second carriage were Princess Charles of Denmark, Princess Victoria and Viscount Curzon. Lady Londonderry, Lady Gosford, Hon. Mrs. Curzon and Hon. Sidney Greville completed the party, which returned from Oxford shortly after luncheon.

The day was magnificently fine and the drive of a total of sixteen English miles was much enjoyed, although the air was exceedingly keen and piercing.

Before leaving for Oxford, the Duchess conducted the Prince of Wales and the other ladies of her party over the department of the home farm, where is housed the extraordinary collection of wild birds and animals, in which she takes particular interest, and which have been specially brought together for her.

There are several varieties of eagles, vultures, pelicans, cormorants and ostriches, gazelles, buffalos and antelopes and several American beasts, which are practically unknown in this country. The collection is continually being added to and is assuming dimensions of considerable importance.

Laughed at Royal Jokes.

I watched the young Duchess this morning with much interest. She appeared to be in the very best health and spirits, and many were the inquiries she made of the royal ladies who accompanied her. Their answers seemed to amuse her immensely, for she laughed quite heartily at what I presume were royal jokes. She seemed just as merry when she left Blenheim castle in the carriage with Messrs. Balfour and Curzon and the Princess of Wales for her drive to Oxford.

She listened gravely to what Mr. Balfour had to say and laughed at the apparently lighter conversation of Mr. Curzon, bowing graciously every now and then to the little groups of country folk along the road that

assembled. The Duke and Duchess and their guests assembled on the terrace on the north front of the palace to watch the festivities.

The first item in the programme was a parade of cyclists in fancy costumes and carrying lights of many colors. At the time the procession commenced its tour a huge bonfire was built on the grounds, a little in front of the monument. This was remarkably successful, and it is interesting to note that it was made of faggots and several tons of celluloid material, which is highly inflammable and which was used for the first time for this purpose.

Then there was a pyrotechnic display exhibition ever given in the country. A word, yet most gorgeously effective result was obtained by the illumination of the beautiful old timber of the park, in which process, no less than one ton of colored fire was used.

At the conclusion of the fireworks display, there was a procession of over a thousand tenants, artificers and laborers on the estate, the retainers of the House of Marlborough, each man carrying a torch.

Frightened Herds of Deer.

On the high ground near the monument herds of red and fallow deer careered wildly about, excited to madness by the unusual blaze of light, which appeared to have so complete a fascination for them, that they could not keep away.

At the close of the festivities hearty cheers were given for the Prince and Princess, and Duke and Duchess. The Prince of Wales, upon whose arm the youthful mistress of Blenheim leaned, graciously acknowledged the salutation of the yeoman and tenantry as also did the Duke, with whom was the Princess of Wales.

In consequence of the late, the musical programme arranged to take place in the long library was abandoned.

BIG GENERAL COMMITTEE.

Plans of the German-American Reform Union for Next Year. The German-American Reform Union, which is controlled by Oswald Ottendorfer and Hermann Ridder, is preparing for the fight to be made next year. It is proposed to extend the organization throughout the Greater New York. The General Committee will have a voting strength of twelve thousand two hundred, there being two hundred members from each of the sixty-one

KILLED IN A FOOTBALL GAME. Walter L. Ruhe Crushed in a Boys' Contest at Prospect Park.

Tackled While Running with the Ball and Thrown on His Chest.

Players Piling Upon Him and His Opponents Are Horrified by His Groans.

Dies in an Ambulance, and in the Excitement the Boy Responsible Escapes Unknown.

RUHE'S FATHER AT THE THEATRE.

Returns to Find the Sixteen-Year-Old Dead. Contest Between the Senecas and the Manual Training School Eleven.

THANKSGIVING'S RECORD.

KILLED. PROSPECT PARK, BROOKLYN—WALTER L. RUHE, of the Senecas, thrown and crushed to death while tackling.

INJURED. EASTERN PARK, BROOKLYN—JAMES D. GILL, of the Polytechnic Institute; concussion of the brain; may die. WILLIAMSBURG ATHLETIC CLUB GROUNDS—FRANK H. HENRIE, of Bensonhurst, right hip dislocated, and TRACY LOW, of Brooklyn, right shoulder dislocated.

had his collar bone broken yesterday in a game with the Trenton Club, Trenton, N. J.

Two Hurt in a Game at Newark. Philip Pioneer and Melville Carpenter, two members of the Newark Field Club football team, were painfully injured yesterday in the game with the Yale Consolidated team on the Field Club grounds on Clinton avenue. Both went in a screaming agony and had to be carried from the field. After being cured for they were taken home.

Death cut short a football contest on the parade ground in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, yesterday. The Senecas and the Manual Training School No. 2's eleven, composed of boys about sixteen years of age, were playing a match game. Walter L. Ruhe, sixteen years old, of No. 720 Carroll street, who was playing right half-back for the Senecas, got the ball and started to run with it. He had advanced scarcely three yards when the left half-back of the opposing team was close enough to tackle him. Ruhe saw the danger and essayed to avoid it, but his antagonist was quick and strong. He was also desperate. With lowered head and outstretched arms he made for Ruhe.

The two boys came together with a shock that was plainly heard all over the grounds. The left half-back wrapped his arms around Ruhe and fairly lifted him off the ground. Together they staggered back six yards, and the adherents of the Manual Training School cheered as they saw what appeared to have been a gain for the other side turned to their own account.

The Fatal Fall. All at once Ruhe fell. It seemed to those who were watching him that he almost described a half circle in the air. He came down heavily on his chest, and on top of him came the weight of the other boy. Others of the Manual Training School team started for the little heap and piled onto it.

From the bottom of the wriggling mass the boys who were on top heard groans. The left half-back called out that Ruhe was hurt. There was a hasty scattering, and then it was seen that the brave young fellow was unable to rise. Blood was gushing from his mouth and nose, and he was unconscious. Several of his companions wrapped him in a coat and carried him to the lockers, while a messenger went for a policeman.

Policeman Cromley, of the Park force, responded. He saw that Ruhe was badly

The powerful action of the heart, forcing blood against the torn tissues, led to the rupture of other vessels, and soon there was no more blood for the heart to work upon. It contracted, collapsed, and Ruhe died.

A Player by Chance.

The game had been a hard fought one. George Streeter, of No. 481 Second street, is the captain of the Senecas. Up to a few days ago the team was known as the Eureka, and it was the crack eleven of the Prospect Park neighborhood. Wednesday afternoon a messenger called on Captain Streeter, bearing a challenge from the No. 2 eleven of the Manual Training School, on Court street. The challenge bore the signature, "Fuller, captain," and was promptly accepted. The messenger was told that the Senecas would be on the Parade Ground at noon Thursday.

When Captain Streeter arrived he found his team incomplete. Besides himself there were Willie Brill, left tackle; Eugene Harrison, quarter back; Arthur Vergien, right end; Alfred Brown, right half back, and William Decker, left end. He was forced to fill out the eleven from boys standing around the edge of the field, and one of the first he chose to play with his side was young Ruhe, whom he knew slightly. Ruhe was a High School student, and knew something of the game. He was assigned to the position of left guard.

In the first half the Senecas were made to realize that they were playing a strong team. The Manual Training boys were large and lusty, and they played with a rough vigor that earned them eight points in the first half, while the Senecas were unable to score.

Ruhe played all over the field with a vim. He was delighted with the game and was assured of a steady place on the Senecas by Captain Streeter after he had made several brilliant plays. It was close to the end of the half that he had a chance to do something that undoubtedly led to his death a few moments later. He got the ball and made a magnificent run, gaining 35 yards before he was downed.

In this run he was able to shake off all the opposing players save a little boy with a dark complexion and crisp, curly black hair, the left half back.

Ruhe ran like the wind, but the boy with the curly hair was close behind him all the time. Steadily he gained, inch by inch, until at last he was close enough

"POLY" BOY BADLY HURT.

Young James D. Gill Borne Unconscious from the Football Field in Eastern Park.

During the football game at Eastern Park, Brooklyn, yesterday afternoon between eleven of the Brooklyn High School and Polytechnic Institute, which resulted in a victory for the former team, Substitute Jones, of the High School eleven, and Steele, Dell and James D. Gill, of the defeated side, were injured, the latter seriously, and it is feared, fatally. The first three were only slightly hurt, but young Gill was carried from the "gridiron" unconscious and suffering from concussion of the brain.

Gill is one of the youngest members of the Institute's football team, being but fifteen years of age. His home is at No. 32 Pierrepont street, to which he was removed after two doctors had unsuccessfully endeavored to revive him in an anteroom connected with the dressing quarters under the grand stand of Eastern Park.

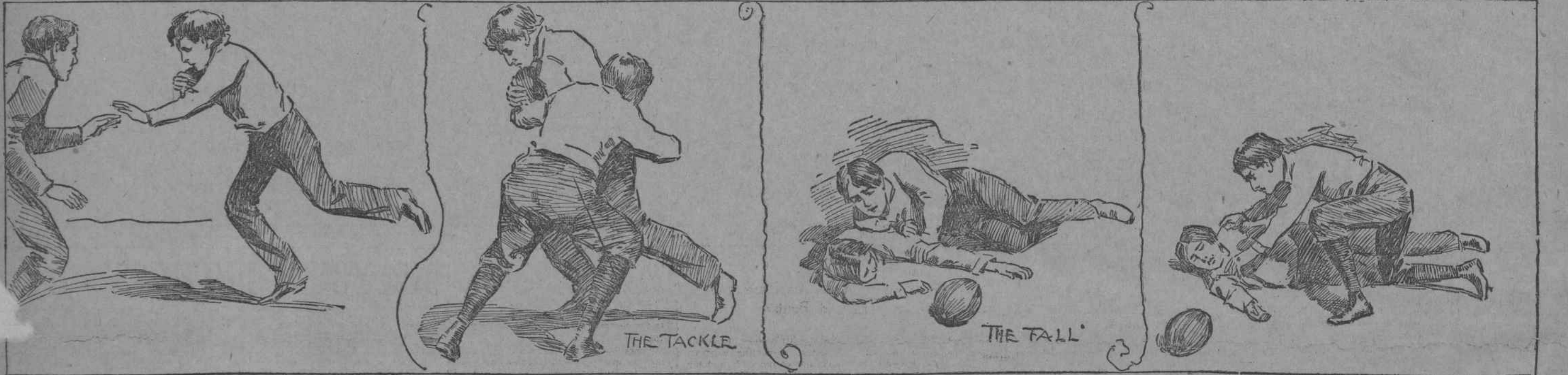
It was within twelve minutes of the termination of the second half of the game when the lad who was playing the position of left half back attempted a hard tackle. Just as he lunged forward to grapple and "down his man," four of the High School youngsters collided with him. The sound of the impact was heard all over the field. The boy lay unconscious on the ground after the four had passed on. His armor and the protecting paraphernalia he wore about his head, nose and mouth were torn away. He was surrounded quickly by members of his own team and carried to an anteroom. He had hardly been placed there when two young girls, white as death, with tears in their eyes, ran down the grand stand stairs to where he lay surrounded by a number of students. They were his sisters and were almost hysterical.

Dr. P. M. Schaffner, who was on the grounds, carefully examined the boy, and found that he was suffering from concussion of the brain. A carriage was sent for, and the boy moaned pitifully as he was lifted into it and, accompanied by his two sisters and the physician, was taken home.

TWO HURT IN THIS GAME.

A Hip and a Shoulder Dislocated by Youths in Williamsburg.

During a game between the Clarendon and Hercules Football teams at the Williamsburg Athletic Club grounds yesterday afternoon Frank H. Henrie, nineteen years old, and of Bensonhurst, and Tracy Low,



SHOWING HOW YOUNG WALTER L. RUHE WAS KILLED AT FOOTBALL.

larly desirous of paying a pointed compliment to his host and hostess, he would not have accepted the invitation to shoot over an estate where only one day's pleasant shooting was offered, and that of indifferent description, and where rabbit shooting only was the principal attraction.

The slaughter was terrific, and although every effort was made to prevent the wounded animals from getting away, the attendants were not on every occasion successful.

Arrangements for the Shoot.

Let me describe very briefly the arrangements that are made at Blenheim for these gigantic rabbit shooting expeditions. The centre of operations was a clump of woods standing on an eminence known as "Fourteen Acres' Clump."

Around this is a stone wall, some five feet high, pierced with holes, through which, at ordinary times, rabbits pass to and fro. In the early part of this week all of these were stopped. The rabbits' burrows were defiled with tar and kerosene, which was lighted and the occupants smoked out.

They were then driven into the wired paddocks and fed upon turnips. They were released from these paddocks on the morning of the shoot and allowed to roam until driven by the keepers to and fro across the line of guns.

Kept Up the Fire All Day.

From the moment the shooting commenced this morning, with the exception of the luncheon interval, until dusk this evening, a continuous fusillade was maintained. Most of the shooters had two gunholders, who stood behind them and handed fresh weapons, charged, as fast as they were fired.

The Prince of Wales, Henry Chaplin and others of the party had three holders, from which fact some idea may be gathered of the rapidity of the fire that was employed. At each beat the ground was literally strewn with dead and dying animals, which were afterward collected and carted off in vans, eventually to be sent to the London market.

Morning Driving Party.

The party started at 12:30 in two landaus and a scotch phaeton. In the first was the Princess of Wales, the Duchess of Marlborough, Arthur Balfour and George Curzon.

cheered her immediately they recognized her.

I am told that the total outlay for these festivities will not be far from a quarter of a million dollars.

Couldn't Get a Photograph.

A stray photographer managed by some means or other to-day to take a photograph of all the keepers and beaters during the lunch hour. Flushed with this success, the man then waited until the party came out of their red and white striped marquee and asked the Duke for permission to take a picture of them all.

"Picture?" said the Duke. "Nothing of the sort! Clear out of the grounds!" So the adventurous man with the camera packed up and disappeared.

The Duchess of Marlborough is possessed of a deep love of flowers, which amounts to an absolute passion. In the rooms occupied by her guests fresh-cut blooms of exquisite beauty are placed each day. A scheme of decoration has been drawn up, and to this the palace gardeners are obliged to adhere with the utmost exactness.

Surrendered Their Own Rooms.

The Duke and Duchess have surrendered the use of their own private apartments to the Prince and Princess of Wales, and in these each day the flowers used for decoration have been cut by the hands of Neapolitan and Marie Louise violets.

An especial feature has been made of the decoration of the dining tables. For each meal, since the royal party assembled on Monday evening, the tables have been freshly made. The decorations to-night were decorated with white orchids.

The Prince and Princess have been much struck with the floral decorations of the palace, and after breakfast this morning, sent for the head gardener and specially complimented him, both on his marvellous cultivation and the rare taste and skill displayed by him in the arrangement of plants and flowers.

An Illuminated Public Fete.

There was an illuminated fete to-night in the park, to which the public were admitted. As soon as night began to fall special trains poured into the town, all filled with visitors. Hotels were taxed to their utmost capacity and every inch of stable accommodation that could be employed was utilized by the country people, who, singing and cheering and resolved to have a good time, rode or drove in from all parts of the county of Oxford.

The fete commenced at 10 o'clock, by which time it is estimated that the largest crowd ever congregated in the district was

Assembly Districts. There will be an Executive Committee of five members from each Assembly District. The policy of the organization will be directed by an Organization Committee, composed of one member—the district leader—from each district. This organization last year was affiliated with Tammany Hall, but in the recent campaign took no active part as an organization. The leading spirits, however, supported McKinley and the Republican candidates. It is expected that next year—when the first officials of a Greater New York will in all probability be elected—Mr. Ottendorfer and his friends will once more be arrayed on the side of Democracy.

CITY ISLAND—THEODORE BROWN, City Island Club, rendered unconscious for several hours. NEWARK, N. J.—PHILIP PIONEER and MELVILLE CARPENTER, of the Newark Field Club; rendered unconscious and taken home. TRENTON, N. J.—EDWARD KEEFE, of the Philadelphia Dental College; severely injured in the head. SAILTOWN, N. Y.—ESTES, of the Greenwich team; probably fatally hurt. FOLLOW KILLED in a Football Game. The Bourbon blood. The Princess Isabel His Collar Bone Broken. Edward Keefe, the left half back on the Philadelphia Dental College football team,

hurt, and called an ambulance from Seney Hospital. In the excitement the football team from the Manual Training School got away, and the policeman did not think to ask for the name of the left half-back.

A hasty examination by the ambulance surgeon showed that Ruhe had struck the ground with terrific force. The small vessels in the lungs, so thin they admit air to the blood, were ruptured, and the life-giving fluid, escaping from its natural channels, poured into the lungs in a flood.

to Ruhe to make an effort to tackle him. He sprang for the ball and caught it. Gathering himself together he darted toward the other end of the field. The Manual Training School eleven started after him, but the interference of the Senecas was good in every instance but one. They could not stop the boy with the curly hair, and before Ruhe was fairly started his old enemy was after him like a flash.

It was a moment of great excitement. The boys of the Manual Training team were wild with glee as they saw their sturdy left half back tackle the runner. At this moment, when the air was filled with their cheering and the crowd that was watching the game were shouting applause, the fatal accident occurred.

Young Ruhe was lifted into an ambulance of the Seney Hospital and died on the way there. Ambulance Surgeon Otis gave the cause of death as hemorrhage of the lungs. Father at the Theatre. It was some time before it could be ascertained where Ruhe lived. A messenger was dispatched to his home and his only sister hastened to the hospital. She carried the sad news home to her mother and the two women became hysterical.

The father of the boy, Frank A. Ruhe, a dry goods man, in this city, was at the theatre at the time of the accident and knew nothing about it until he returned to his home at 7 o'clock last night.

It is thought Ruhe's lungs were weak. His brother died two years ago of consumption. It was a most unusual accident in every respect, the fact that he fell full and fair on his chest being considered remarkable under the circumstances. Even this might not have proved fatal, but the additional weight of the other boys was too much for the delicate blood vessels in the lungs. Up to a late hour last night the Brooklyn police had failed to ascertain the name of the boy who tackled Ruhe.

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NUN SAVED THE CHURCH.

Discovered a Fire in the Sacristy and Closed the Iron Door Leading to the Main Building.

Now Brunswick, N. J., Nov. 26.—The sacristy of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, one of the largest and richest in New Brunswick, was destroyed by fire this evening. It is supposed that a spark from a locomotive set fire to the roof.

A sister of charity entering the church discovered that the roof was in flames and had the presence of mind to shut the heavy doors between the sacristy and the main building. This saved the latter, as the flames confined the flames to the sacristy. Several thousand dollars' worth of vestments, the gold communion vessels, a number of valuable pictures, the chapel organ and the church library of 4,000 volumes were destroyed, involving a loss of \$20,000, partly covered by insurance.

The alarm was sent in from a box directly in front of Allen's Theatre, where a performance was being given. A panic ensued among the audience, who thought the theatre was on fire. Several women fainted and a number of people sustained injuries in the crush, but no serious accidents occurred.

HANGED, BUT WAS REVIVED.

Relatives Are Said to Have Brought a Negro Murderer Back to Life.

Muskegon, Ala., Nov. 26.—Henry Dawson, a negro murderer, was hanged here last Friday. He was a big fellow, weighing over 200 pounds. When the drop came he fell heavily. After fifteen minutes he was pronounced dead by the attending physicians, and the body was cut down and turned over to the relatives.

The funeral preparations were made with unusual promptness, and the assembled crowd in front of Dawson's friends place him in a huge black coffin, lift the coffin on a wagon and drive him hurriedly away, the announced intention being to bury the body several miles distant in the country. A negro named Ruben Rice now comes forward with the statement that Dawson is not dead, that as soon as his friends got him out of town they opened the coffin, piled whiskey and other stimulants and finally restored the man to consciousness and activity.

The departure from the neighborhood of the persons having charge of the remains and the failure to discover a new grave in the place indicated are regarded as proof of the negro's statement.

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